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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: CIARDS Retirement Legislation Hearing

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l. Today, accompanied by and the undersigned, appeared in open session before the Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee to testify in behalf of an amendment which would bring the Agency retirement legislation into line with recent improved benefits authorized under the Civil Service Retirement System.

2. Present from the Subcommittee were:

Lucien Nedzi (D., Mich.), Chairman Melvin Price (D., Ill.) William G. Bray (R., Ind.)

3. Present from the Subcommittee staff were:

Frank Slatinshek William Hogan

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4. read into the record the attached prepared statement. The ensuing questions were perfunctory and no follow up actions were required. A transcript was taken.

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(Unclassified - JMM) Accompanied Messrs.

who appeared before the Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee, in support of an amendment to the Agency retirement legislation bringing it into line with recently revised Civil Service benefits. See Memo for Record.

- 2. (Confidential JMM) Discussed with Secretary of the Navy John Warner the problem of Senator Howard Baker's continued concern over possibly as yet unidentified Agency involvement in the Watergate matter. Warner who is a close friend of Baker could throw no light on the matter but said he would see if he could ellicit from Baker some indication of his interest.
- 3. (Unclassified JMM) Accompanied the Director to call on Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee, but at the last minute the Chairman found himself tied up on the floor and had to beg off. However the Director spoke to him on the phone, thanking him for his recent public statements.
- 4. (Unclassified JMM) In the absence of Representative William Minshall, I left with Pat Coombe, of his staff, a check reimbursing him for expenses he incurred in connection with official travel to Latin America on Agency business.
- 5. (Unclassified JGO) Received a call from Edna Johnson, House Armed Services Committee staff, requesting twenty additional copies of the Director's letter to the Chairman concerning H. R. 4294 and H. R. 6364 which provide additional retirement benefits for certain members of the armed forces and certain Federal employees. The additional copies are needed for responses back to the 19 cosponsors of the legislation.

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NARCOG, I advised Dr. Brady that we have no evidence of any

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- 13. (Confidential JGO) Received a request from Franzetta R. DeGooyer, on the staff of the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, for
- of the House Armed Services Committee, and gave him a copy of the Agency's legislative package pending at OMB concerning the funding of the CIARDS program. I asked Slatinshek's indulgence in cutting off any questions that might be raised by members tomorrow during the hearing on the cost of living amendment to the CIARDS Act (S. 2714) regarding funding. I asked Slatinshek if he would pick up and respond to any such questions on the grounds that a detailed legislative proposal is pending full study by the Committee and will be brought up for Committee consideration as soon as clearance is obtained from OMB. Slatinshek said he would do his best.

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15. (Confidential - JGO) As a follow-up of my earlier discussions with William H. Hogan, Jr., Counsel for the House Armed Services Committee, I told him that it is our understanding that follow-up on classified responses

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16. (Unclassified - RJK) Sam Singer, on the staff of Senator Thomas F. Eagleton (D., Mo.), called and asked that

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